

Application No.: 10/654,179

Response to Office Action of November 14, 2006

Attorney Docket: BEIRU-001A

REMARKS

This is a response to the Final Office Action mailed November 14, 2006. In that Office Action, the Examiner indicated that Claims 19-25 are allowable over the prior art of record. The Examiner also indicated that Claims 8, 9, 13, 14, 17 and 18 are objected to as being dependent upon rejected base claims. Applicant has rewritten Claim 8 in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 9, 13, 14, 17 and 18 have been amended to depend upon independent Claim 8. Additionally, the Examiner rejected Claims 1-6 11-12 and 15-16 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Jurgens in view of Martin. Pursuant thereto, Applicant has cancelled pending Claims 1-6, 11-12 and 15-16 without prejudice.

It is respectfully submitted that the application is in a condition for allowance. A reconsideration and allowance is therefore respectfully requested.

If any additional fee is required, please charge Deposit Account Number 19-4330.

Respectfully submitted,

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